

KANSAS: The April **All Farm Products Index** of Prices Received by Kansas farmers, at 106 percent of the 1990-92 base, was down 4 points from March and down 8 points from April 2005. The **All Crops Index** in April, at 114 percent of the 1990-92 base, was up 5 points from March and up 18 points from 2005. The **Meat Animals Index**, at 110 percent of the 1990-92 base, was down 5 points from March and 13 points below last year. More detailed information regarding price indexes is shown in the first table on the back of this release.

Wheat prices in mid-April, at \$4.29 per bushel, were up 24 cents from March and \$1.17 above last April.

Corn prices in mid-April, at \$2.11 per bushel, were up 3 cents from March and 21 cents above last April.

Farmers received an average of \$3.41 per cwt. for **sorghum grain** in mid-April, up 12 cents from March and 50 cents above last April.

Soybean prices, at \$5.26 per bushel in mid-April, were down 13 cents from March and 76 cents below last April.

All hay prices averaged \$87.00 per ton in mid-April, up \$8.00 from March and \$22.00 higher than last year. **Alfalfa hay** averaged \$95.00 per ton, up \$8.00 from March and \$26.00 higher than last April. **Other hay**, at \$54.00 per ton, was down \$5.00 from March but \$3.00 above last April.

All beef cattle were bringing an average of \$85.00 per cwt. in mid-April, down \$3.80 from March and \$9.00 below the price from last April. **Cow** prices, at \$48.90 per cwt., were down \$1.60 from March and \$7.40 below the price from last April. **Steers and heifers** averaged \$86.50 per cwt., down \$3.50 from March and \$9.10 below April 2005. **Calf** prices in mid-April were \$137.00 per cwt., down \$1.00 from March and down \$9.00 from April 2005.

The **all hog** price of \$35.80 per cwt. for mid-April was down \$3.70 from March and down \$12.40 from last April. **Sow** prices averaged \$30.10, down \$4.60 from March and \$12.20 lower than April 2005. **Barrow and gilt** prices averaged \$36.60 per cwt. in mid-April, down \$3.60 from March and \$12.70 below last April.

Individual commodity prices are shown in the second table on the back of this release.

UNITED STATES: The **All Farm Products Index** of Prices Received in April was 115 percent of the 1990-92 base, up 1 point from March but 6 points below April 2005.

The April **All Crops Index** was 129, up 11 points from March and 9 points above April 2005.

The April **Livestock and Products Index**, at 104, was down 6 points from last month and down 18 points from April 2005.

Index Numbers - Prices Received by Farmers, Kansas and United States									
Product Group	Kansas			United States					
	1990-92=100%			1990-92=100%			1910-14=100%		
	Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 15, 2006	Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 15, 2006	Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 15, 2006
PRICES RECEIVED									
All Farm Products	114	110	106	121	114	115	770	721	732
All Crops	96	109	114	120	118	129	592	581	637
Food Grains.....	111	144	153	109	124	128	347	395	406
Feed Grains & Hay.....				96	98	101	342	350	363
Feed Grains	82	92	92						
Hay	102	123	136						
Oil Seeds	109	98	96	108	100	96	594	546	527
Livestock & Products				122	110	104	937	844	801
Meat Animals	123	115	110	125	115	111	1,274	1,170	1,127
Dairy Products.....				116	96	93	934	774	744

Prices Received by Farmers and Feed Ratios, Kansas and United States							
Commodity	Kansas			United States			
	Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 15, 2006	Apr 2005	Mar 2006	Apr 15, 2006	Apr Parity ¹
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
All Wheat, bu	3.12	4.05	4.29	3.35	3.79	3.90	10.50
Corn, bu	1.90	2.08	2.11	2.00	2.06	2.11	7.78
Oats, bu		1.87	1.55	1.65	1.81	1.72	4.32
Barley, bu.....				2.26	2.71	2.67	7.27
Sorghum Grain, cwt	2.91	3.29	3.41	2.96	3.53	3.53	12.10
All Sunflowers, cwt.....	14.00	10.10	10.30	15.10	11.40	10.60	32.70
All Hay, ton.....	65.00	79.00	87.00	99.40	97.10	106.00	
Alfalfa, ton	69.00	87.00	95.00	105.00	100.00	110.00	
Other, ton	51.00	59.00	54.00	81.60	86.60	93.20	
Soybeans, bu	6.02	5.39	5.26	6.03	5.57	5.39	17.20
All Beef Cattle, cwt.....	94.00	88.80	85.00	93.70	88.10	85.20	193.00
Cows, cwt.....	56.30	50.50	48.90	57.00	49.50	48.70	
All Steers & Heifers, cwt.	95.60	90.00	86.50	98.10	93.00	89.70	
Calves, cwt.....	146.00	138.00	137.00	141.00	138.00	136.00	268.00
Hogs, cwt	48.20	39.50	35.80	51.10	42.80	39.10	117.00
Sows, cwt	42.30	34.70	30.10	41.50	34.10	28.80	
Barrows & Gilts, cwt.....	49.30	40.20	36.60	51.50	43.20	39.60	
Lambs, cwt ² /				114.00	91.10		233.00
Sheep, cwt ² /				45.10	39.50		95.60
Milk, cwt., avg. fat test ³ /	14.30	12.30	11.60	15.20	12.60	12.10	38.50
Average fat test, percent	3.57	3.69	3.64	3.64	3.72	3.68	
Feed Ratios							
Hog-Corn	25.4	19.0	17.0	25.6	20.8	18.5	
Milk-Feed.....				3.18	2.70	2.47	
ANNUAL PRICES PAID BY FARMERS ⁴							
Soybean Meal (44%), cwt	13.10		13.80	16.10		16.90	
Bran, cwt.....	14.00		15.50	15.00		16.10	
16% Dairy Feed, ton	231.00		214.00	197.00		210.00	
Beef Cattle Conc. (32-36%), ton	262.00		320.00	316.00		336.00	
Hog Conc. (38-42%), ton	345.00		372.00	398.00		361.00	
Laying Feed, ton	267.00		268.00	226.00		240.00	
Gasoline							
Serv. Sta., Unleaded, gal	2.25		2.57	2.21		2.57	
Bulk Del., Unleaded, gal	2.26		2.58	2.23		2.60	
Diesel, Bulk Del., gal	1.91		2.24	1.97		2.28	

¹ U.S. Parity Prices based on 1910-14 base. ² Preliminary price not published. ³ Milk price reflects gross producer pay price before deducts for hauling and capital retain. ⁴ Prices Paid are a weighted average of prices paid in the Northern Plains region which includes Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

District Grain & Oilseed Prices								
Agricultural Statistics District	Wheat per Bushel		Sorghum Grain per Cwt		Corn per Bushel		Soybeans per Bushel	
	March 2006	April 15, 2006	March 2006	April 15, 2006	March 2006	April 15, 2006	March 2006	April 15, 2006
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
Northwest	3.94	4.23	3.16	3.23	2.02	2.07	5.14	4.96
West Central	4.05	4.26	3.22	3.37	2.13	2.18	5.19	5.03
Southwest	4.03	4.19	3.24	3.38	2.22	2.23	5.22	5.08
North Central	4.02	4.37	3.27	3.39	1.90	1.93	5.25	5.14
Central.....	4.15	4.40	3.33	3.48	2.02	2.05	5.36	5.21
South Central	4.09	4.28	3.31	3.46	2.10	2.14	5.33	5.21
Northeast.....	4.17	4.36	3.41	3.47	1.98	2.01	5.43	5.29
East Central.....	4.10	4.22	3.49	3.50	2.01	1.99	5.52	5.40
Southeast.....	3.78	4.23	3.32	3.47	2.05	2.08	5.40	5.27
State	4.05	4.29	3.29	3.41	2.08	2.11	5.39	5.26